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Agricultural Summary

High winds caused lodging in what few acres of corn were remaining to be harvested last week. Damp weather during the week slowed corn harvest and corn stalk baling which was being done for bedding. Rainfall totals were minimal but cool and cloudy weather during the week prevented any additional drydown of standing crops. Topsoil moisture levels were rated 84 percent adequate or surplus as of November 16. Anhydrous ammonia tanks were a common site last week across much of the state as soil temperatures had dipped to an acceptable level for application. Farmers were spreading fertilizer and lime and spraying for winter annuals last week. Livestock pits were also being cleaned out with manure being spread or knifed into recently harvested fields. Winter wheat condition continues strong with 81 percent rated good or excellent. Farmers were also busy last week plowing, tending livestock and signing 2004 DCP contracts at their local FSA office.

Crop Progress

Crop Stage	2003	2002	5-Year Average
November 16			

CORN:

Harvested	98	98	98
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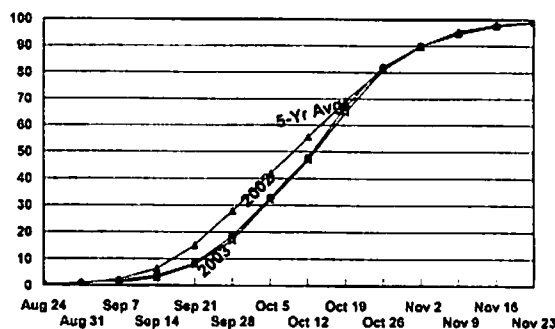
SORGHUM:

Harvested	96	98	99
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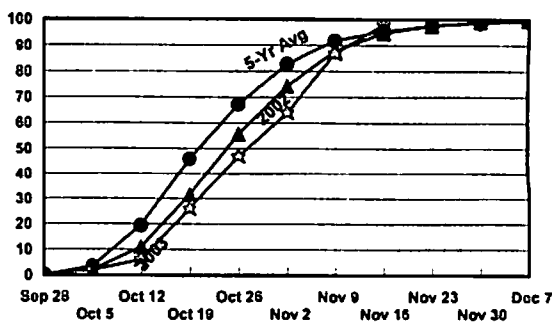
WINTER WHEAT:

Emerged	98	96	95
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**Corn - Percent Harvested
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**Winter Wheat - Percent Emerged
Illinois**



Crop Conditions

Crop	: Very Poor	: Poor	: Fair	: Good	: Excellent
November 16					
Winter Wheat	-	-	19	67	14

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table

District	: Days Suitable for Fieldwork	: Very Short	: Topsoil Moisture Short	: Adequate	: Surplus
November 10 - 16			November 16		
Northwest	4.7	1	20	78	1
Northeast	4.2	-	2	97	1
West	4.5	-	15	77	8
Central	4.5	2	28	69	1
East	4.3	1	6	81	12
W Southwest	5.5	-	8	86	6
E Southeast	4.2	-	11	76	13
Southwest	4.3	-	14	68	18
Southeast	4.1	-	28	58	14
State	4.5	1	15	77	7

Crop Progress by Districts

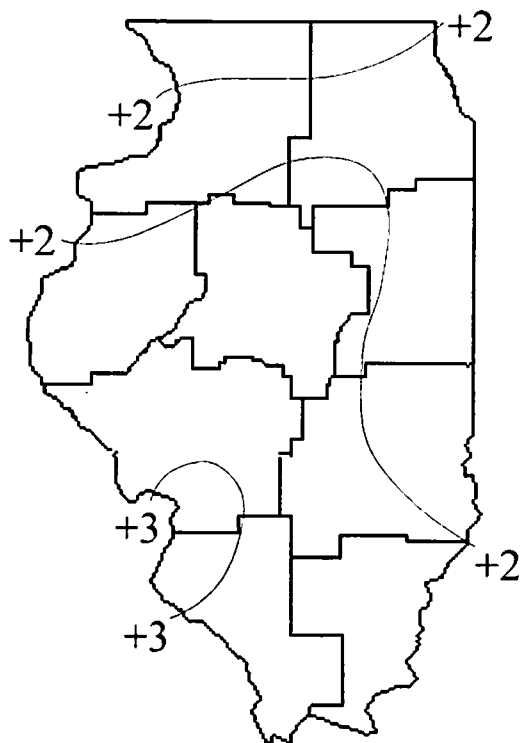
District	: Corn Harvested
November 16	
Northwest	98
Northeast	95
West	98
Central	100
East	100
W Southwest	99
E Southeast	97
Southwest	93
Southeast	99
State	98

Weather Information Table

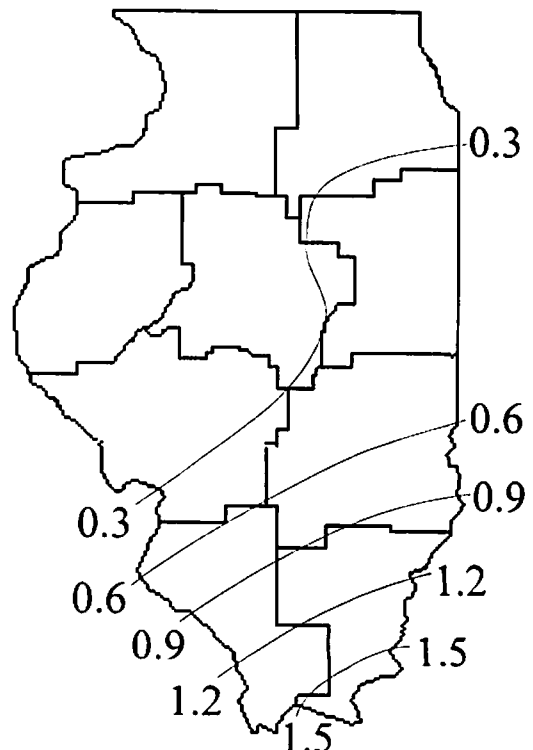
District	Temperature			Precipitation		
	Average	Normal	Departure	Total	Normal	Departure
November 10 - 16						
Northwest	39.6	37.7	1.9	0.10	0.49	-0.39
Northeast	40.4	38.7	1.7	0.10	0.58	-0.48
West	43.1	40.8	2.3	0.09	0.59	-0.50
Central	42.7	40.4	2.3	0.14	0.63	-0.49
East	42.4	40.5	1.9	0.41	0.66	-0.26
W Southwest	45.5	42.7	2.8	0.19	0.73	-0.54
E Southeast	45.5	43.4	2.1	0.53	0.93	-0.40
Southwest	47.9	45.1	2.7	0.91	1.00	-0.09
Southeast	48.2	45.5	2.7	1.27	0.96	0.32
State	43.7	41.5	2.2	0.38	0.72	-0.34

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Temperature (°F) Departure
November 10 - 16



Precipitation (in.) Total
November 10 - 16

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